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1. On 1 June 1948 approximately one division strength of the Communist 2 Column was in Ssuningchieh (124-22,43-11). These troops wore uniforms similar to the Nationalist uniform and were entirely equipped with American weapons. Each platoon had four sub-machine guns and four light machine guns. The majority of the troops were not native Manchurians.
2. On 4 July 1948 there were four tanks at Ssuningchieh. Two were medium Japanese tanks, each armed with a gun about five feet long and two inches in diameter (? 57 mm) and carrying a crew of three or four men. The other two tanks were larger, each with a gun about 6 feet long and 2 1/2 inches in diameter (? 75 mm) and carrying a crew of four or five men. The tank drivers were all Japanese. On 6 August two of the medium and four of the larger tanks were at the Ssuningchieh east gate.
3. On 2 July 1948 ten American heavy trucks, about twenty smaller Soviet trucks and about ten Japanese trucks - all loaded with sacks of foodstuffs and boxes of ammunition - were at the Yangmuling Station outside Ssuningchieh. These trucks traveled toward Kungchuling (124-50,43-32) at night to avoid the Chinese air force.

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